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SUBJECT: SOVIET STATEMENT ON PARTICIPATION OF WEST
BERLINERS IN IAEA ACTIVITIES

REFS: (A) STATE 64749; (B) BONN 4739

BEGIN SUMMARY. FRG HAS INFORMED ALLIES OF SOVIET
ATTEMPT TO MAKE AN ISSUE OF PARTICIPATION OF WEST
BERLINERS IN FRG DELEGATION IN IAEA ACTIVITY AND HAS
REQUESTED ALLIED SUPPORT. ACTION REQUEST: THAT THE
DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZE US MISSION IAEA TO UTILIZE BONN
GROUP CONTINGENCY PLAN AS APPROPRIATE. END SUMMARY.

1. IN APRIL 7 BONN GROUP MEETING, FRG REP (VON ARNIM)
INFORMED ALLIES THAT THE SOVIETS IN A RECENT IAEA
SYMPOSIUM HAD TRIED TO MAKE AN ISSUE OUT OF THE
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PARTICIPATION OF WEST BERLINERS IN IAEA ACTIVITIES.
SPECIFICALLY, AT THE MARCH 7-11 VIENNA SYMPOSIUM ON
NUCLEAR TECHNIQUES ON EXPLORATION AND EXTRACTION OF
MINERAL RESOURCES, THE SOVIET DEL (LEBEDEV) HAD
ATTEMPTED TO MAKE A STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT BUT HAD
BEEN REFUSED THE FLOOR ON THE GROUNDS THAT POLICIAL
DECLARATIONS WERE OUT OF ORDER.

2. SUBSEQUENTLY, ACCORDING TO VON ARNIM, LEBEDEV HAD GIVEN THE INTENDED STATEMENT TO THE SYMPOSIUM SECRETARIAT FOR TRANSMISSION TO IAEA SECRETARY GENERAL ECKLUND. THE TEXT OF THE STATEMENT IS:

THE SOVIET DELEGATION DRAWS ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING:

IN THE LIST OF SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPANTS, DELEGATES FROM THE FRG INCLUDE TWO FROM WEST BERLIN. WE CONSIDER THAT THE QUESTION OF REPRESENTATION SHOULD BE SETTLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS AND RELATIONS REGARDING THE LEGAL STATUS OF WEST BERLIN AND ITS REPRESENTATION. THE SOVIET DELEGATION THEREFORE RESERVES ITS POSITION IN THE MATTER.

VON ARNIM NOTED THAT TWO SCIENTISTS FROM THE HAHN-MEITNER INSTITUTE IN BERLIN WERE MEMBERS OF THE FRG DELEGATION.

3. VON ARNIM SAID THAT THE PROBLEM COULD RECUR AND CONCLUDED WITH A REQUEST THAT ALLIED IAEA MISSIONS BE PROVIDED WITH COPIES OF THE AGREED CONTINGENCY RESPONSE PLAN DEVELOPED BY THE BONN GROUP FOR USE IN THE EVENT OF SUCH SOVIET ACTIONS AT INTERNATIONAL

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MEETINGS.

4. ALLIED REPS AGREED TO HAVE THEIR IAEA MISSIONS
PROVIDED WITH THE CONTINGENCY PLAN (CONTAINED IN REF
B AND APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN REF A).

5. FOR VIENNA: THE CONTINGENCY PLAN WHICH WE ARE
REPEATING TO YOU CONTAINS A SERIES OF ALLIED RESPONSES
TO THE VARIOUS COMPLAINTS USUALLY MADE BY SOVIET AND
EAST EUROPEAN DELEGATIONS ABOUT THE PRESENCE OF
BERLINERS IN FRG DELEGATIONS AT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS.
IN THE EVENT OF SUCH COMPLAINTS OR PROTESTS, IT HAS
BECOME STANDARD PRACTICE FOR THE US, UK, FRG AND FRENCH
DELEGATIONS TO COORDINATE AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE AMONG
THEMSELVES DRAWN FROM THE CONTINGENCY PLAN TO BE
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DELIVERED BY ONE OF THE THREE ALLIES SPEAKING ON BEHALF
OF THE OTHER TWO. AN FRG FOLLOW-UP STATEMENT IN SUPPORT
OF THE ALLIED STATEMENT IS THEN USUALLY MADE.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT THE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZE
US MISSION IAEA TO UTILIZE CONTINGENCY PLAN AS
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